

## Message Text

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CINCUSAFE FOR POLAD & OPS IMMEDIATE

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C O N F I D E N T I A L BERLIN 390

E.O. 11652: GDS

TAGS: PGOV, MOPS, WS, UR, GE

SUBJECT: STOLEN TANK - MEDIA COVERAGE

REF: BERLIN 388

MEDIA INTEREST HAS BEEN CONSIDERABLE. WIRE SERVICES (AP, UPI, DPA) HAVE CARRIED ACCOUNT OF INCIDENT GENERALLY AS PROVIDED BY USCOB AND MISSION SPOKESMEN (IN ADDITION TO PRESS LINE GIVEN REFTEL WE HAVE STATED THAT PRELIMINARY INVESTIGATION REVEALED NO EVIDENCE OF DRUG OR ALCOHOL ABUSE). BOTH WEST GERMAN TV CHANNELS REPORTED FACTUALLY ON INCIDENT WITHOUT COMMENT, SHOWING FILM CLIPS OF ROUTE TAKEN AND DAMAGE DONE BY TANK. NEITHER EAST GERMAN RADIO NOR TV HAS MENTIONED INCIDENT SO FAR. KELIN

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## Message Attributes

**Automatic Decaptioning:** X  
**Capture Date:** 01 JAN 1994  
**Channel Indicators:** n/a  
**Current Classification:** UNCLASSIFIED  
**Concepts:** PRESS COMMENTS, MILITARY PERSONNEL, THEFTS, TANKS (COMBAT VEHICLES)  
**Control Number:** n/a  
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**Decaption Date:** 01 JAN 1960  
**Decaption Note:**  
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**Disposition Approved on Date:**  
**Disposition Authority:** martinml  
**Disposition Case Number:** n/a  
**Disposition Comment:** 25 YEAR REVIEW  
**Disposition Date:** 28 MAY 2004  
**Disposition Event:**  
**Disposition History:** n/a  
**Disposition Reason:**  
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**Review Comment:** n/a  
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